





7. Matthew carefully constructs his account of Jesus' birth to leave no doubt about the supernatural events that occurred. In particular, he makes clear that Mary was pregnant, not from Joseph, but from the Holy Spirit. Take a moment to reflect on the emotions and mindset of the characters in this story.

Mary—

Joseph—

Mary's family—

Joseph's family—

8. As a man, Jesus experienced all the emotions and experiences associated with humanity: anger, sorrow, hunger, exhaustion, joy, temptation, suffering...etc. What effect does this have on His ability to be our Savior? (See Hebrews 4:14-16 for one aspect.)